

REMARKS

Claims 14-15, 23-24, 39-40, and 49-50 are currently pending in this application. Claims 14, 23, 39, and 49 have been amended, and claims 1-13, 16-22, 25-38, and 41-48 have been cancelled. Claims 14, 23, 39, and 49 are independent claims. No new matter has been added.

In accordance with the Board Decision dated September 12, 2011, Applicants have placed allowable claims 14-15, 23-24, 39-40, and 49-50 into allowable independent form, and cancelled the remaining claims in order to place the current application in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the objections and rejections and allowance of each of claims 14-15, 23-24, 39-40, and 49-50 in connection with the present application is earnestly solicited.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact John A. Castellano at the telephone number of the undersigned below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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